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Sir:

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2004.

**Restriction Under 35 U.S.C. § 121**

In the Office Action, the Examiner restricted claims 1-42 under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

Group I. Claims 1-8, 15-22, and 29-42, and

Group II. Claims 9-14 and 23-27.

Applicant elects Group I (claims 1-8, 15-22 and 29-42) without traverse.

**CONCLUSION**

All claims in this application are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt allowance of all pending claims. Please charge any

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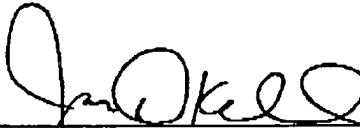
additional fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 50-1778. The Examiner is invited to telephone the below-signed attorney to discuss this application.

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